

26 January 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Safety Staff, DDA

THROUGH: Chief, Plans and Programs Staff, OL

STAT FROM: [REDACTED]
Chief, Printing & Photography Division, OL

SUBJECT: Disposal of Chemical Wastes in P&PD

1. In response to the memorandum request from the Chief, Safety Staff, DDA (SS/DDA), regarding the disposal of chemical wastes in Agency facilities, the Printing and Photography Division, OL (P&PD/OL) offers the following:

- a. By-products of chemicals classified by EPA as hazardous wastes: None
- b. Chemicals in Stock/No longer in use: None

STAT 2. [REDACTED] Quality Control Officer, Photography Branch, P&PD, and the undersigned spent considerable time discussing the memo request with the SS contact, [REDACTED] STAT
STAT [REDACTED] prior to formulating P&PD's response. Based on these conversations and an explanation of P&PD's usage of photographic chemicals, the above conclusions were reached.

3. For information purposes, incoming raw chemicals do contain some hazardous substances in their basic composition, but by the time they are mixed with other ingredients and/or water, and eventually spent through the processing equipment and flushed with adequate amounts of water into the Fairfax County sewer system, it has been previously determined by the SS that the effluent levels do not pose a hazard.

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4. Re chemicals in stock/no longer in use, P&PD purged their shelves within the past several months of all outdated, outmoded, and unnecessary chemicals. All current stock has been determined to be necessary to the varied production requirements and processes used in the Division. It should be noted that we experienced a great deal of difficulty in obtaining accurate information re disposal methods and actually getting someone to take the items off our hands during this exercise.

5. It is P&PD's understanding that the SS is gathering data in order to set up a means of properly disposing of hazardous chemicals in accordance with EPA guidelines. This means will presumably be an approved contractor and EPA dumping facilities. P&PD foresees the possible need in the future of using such means in the event that current chemical supplies become obsolete or production requirements/processes change. The SS/DDA has been requested to keep us informed of whatever services become available for chemical disposal.

6. If you have any questions on this matter, please contact [redacted] Plans, Programs, and Systems Staff, P&PD

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